

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY JOB CLASS SPECIFICATION

FORESTER

Job Number: 20001483

Job Code: 72220V000101

Job Group: 7200 - FORESTRY

Job Established: 06/16/1982

Job Revised: 01/16/2009

Grade: 13 Salary (MIN - MID): Special Entrance Rate:

\$16.432-\$21.875 - Hourly

\$2,670.20-\$3,554.70 - 37.5 Hr. Monthly Salary

\$2,848.22-\$3,791.68 - 40 Hr. Monthly Salary

NONE

PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

This job has an initial and promotional probationary period of 12 months. For additional information refer to: http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/101/001/325.htm.

<u>CHARACTERISTICS OF THE JOB:</u> Characteristics of a job are general statements indicating the level of responsibility and discretion of positions in that job classification. These are not intended to be an exhaustive list.

Performs professional forestry work; and performs other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

Graduate of a college or university with a bachelor's degree in forestry.

EXPERIENCE:

NONE

Substitute EDUCATION for EXPERIENCE:

NONE

Substitute EXPERIENCE for EDUCATION:

NONE

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (AGE, LICENSURE, REGULATION, ETC.):

NONE

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES OR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE JOB CLASSIFICATION: Examples of duties or responsibilities are not to be construed as describing what the duties or responsibilities of any position shall be and are not to be construed as limiting the appointing authority's ability to assign, or otherwise alter the duties and responsibilities of a position. This is not intended to be an exhaustive list.

Selects and marks trees for timber stand improvement and commercial harvest. Makes preliminary woodland examinations for

landowners to determine present woodland condition and future management needs. Prepares forest management plans. Provides technical assistance to the United States Department of Agriculture in forest conservation cost share programs. Inspects and evaluates performance of landowners participating in cost share programs. Gathers, analyzes and reports field data for the wood industry. Prepares marking reports for landowners which includes a summary of the timber marked by species, a list of prospective buyers, recommendations of methods of selling and harvesting timbers and environmental concerns. Examines potential tree planting sites and makes recommendations for proper methods of site preparation, tree spacing, planting techniques and suitable species for the site. Sells, sorts and distributes seedlings. Conducts surveys and inventories including Forest Inventory and Analysis (FIA) and Southern Forest Annual Inventory System (SFAIS). Supervises and assists in fire suppression. Monitors harvesting operations to determine that proper harvesting methods are used. Prepares detailed scaled woodland maps. Examines woodlands for insect and disease attacks and recommends methods for control. Provides technical assistance to landowners, loggers, timber buyers and sawmill operators. Conducts forest education classes. Maintains and repairs assigned equipment. Enforces the forestry laws of Kentucky.

UNIQUE PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Extreme physical effort is required when suppressing wild land fires. The ability to walk on steep slopes, use fire hand tools, and occasionally work long hours is needed.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS: Incumbents in the job will typically perform their job duties under these conditions.

Work is typically performed outdoors on private forest lands. Work can be under adverse conditions due to weather, topography, or when suppressing wild land fires. Work also involves frequent contact with citizens and organizations in the promotion of forestry programs.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Upon appointment, employees in this class may be required to maintain a valid driver's license and required to drive a licensed vehicle. This status may be necessary for the length of time in this class. If this is necessary it will be listed in the specific position description for that position. Applicants and employees in this job title may be required to submit to a drug screening test and background check. Applicants and employees in positions which perform job duties that may require contact with offenders in the custody or supervision of the Department of Corrections or with youth in the care, custody, or supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice must meet qualifications pursuant to the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act, 28 C.F.R.115.17 and 115.317.

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